

**REMARKS**

Claims 29, 32-36, 44 and 47-55 are pending in this application and are allowed in the Office Action mailed on July 12, 2006. By this Amendment, the specification, Abstract and the drawings are amended as set forth above. No new subject matter has been added as a result of the amendments to the specification, Abstract or drawings.

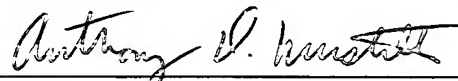
Initially, the Examiner is thanked for allowing the pending claims in this application. In accordance with the Examiner's requests in the Office Action, the drawings have been amended to include depictions of examples of large waterborne, towed flexible fluid containment vessels that can be fabricated using the weaving, knitting and braiding processes disclosed in the present application. In addition, the specification has been amended to include reference to the newly added figures and to include the U.S. patent numbers for each of the now allowed related applications identified in the first sentence of the present application. Lastly, in accordance with the Examiner's request, the Abstract has been amended as set forth above to include the novel features of the present invention.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants' attorneys respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Please charge any fees incurred by reason of this response and not paid herewith to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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Attachments

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

The attached drawing sheets, each entitled "New Sheet," includes Figures 8, 9A, 9B, 9C and 9D that depict flexible fluid containment vessels constructed according to the teachings of the present invention. In addition, FIG. 10, also included on a "New Sheet" outlines an example of the method steps in block form that may be used to construct vessels in accordance with the present invention.

Attachment: New Sheets